

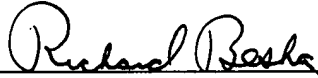
REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Applicants note with appreciation the indicated allowance of claim 2 subject only to being rewritten in independent form. By the foregoing Amendment, claim 2 has been rewritten in independent form. Additionally, claim 3 has been canceled and the dependencies of claims 4 and 5 have been amended such that those claims now depend from claim 2. Claim 5 has also been amended to remove the alternative expression of "one of said abradable coating and said honeycomb seal" since claim 2 is limited to only the abradable coating. Additionally, claim 1 has been canceled. Claims 6-12 have been formally allowed.

Accordingly, applicants believe the application is in condition for allowance with claims 2 and 4-12. Applicants await receipt of a formal Notice of Allowance in the above-identified application.

Respectfully submitted,

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